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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 188, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to abortions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 188, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 188.325 and 188.335, to read as follows:

188.325. 1. There is hereby established the "Missouri Alternatives to Abortion Services Program" which shall be administered by a state agency or agencies, as designated by appropriations to such or each agency. The alternatives to abortion services program shall consist of services or counseling to pregnant women and continuing for one year after birth to assist women in carrying their unborn children to term instead of having abortions, and to assist women in caring for their dependent children or placing their children for adoption.

2. Services provided under the alternatives to abortion program shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- (1) Prenatal care;**
- (2) Medical and mental health care;**
- (3) Parenting skills;**
- (4) Drug and alcohol testing and treatment;**
- (5) Child care, and newborn and infant care;**
- (6) Housing and utilities;**
- (7) Educational services;**
- (8) Food, clothing, and supplies relating to pregnancy, newborn care, and parenting;**
- (9) Adoption assistance;**
- (10) Job training and placement;**

- 22 (11) Establishing and promoting responsible paternity;
23 (12) Ultrasound services;
24 (13) Case management;
25 (14) Domestic abuse protection; and
26 (15) Transportation.

27 3. Actual provision and delivery of services and counseling shall
28 be dependent on client needs and not otherwise prioritized by the
29 agency or agencies administering the program. Services and
30 counseling shall be available only during pregnancy and continuing for
31 one year after birth, and shall exclude any family planning
32 services. The agency or agencies administering the program may
33 contract with other public or private agencies or entities to provide the
34 services or counseling on behalf of the agency or agencies
35 administering the program. Such other public or private agencies or
36 entities may provide additional services or counseling, or services or
37 counseling for more than one year after birth, that are not funded
38 under the alternatives to abortion services program, as long as such
39 services or counseling are not inconsistent with the provisions of this
40 section. Contractors for the alternatives to abortion services program
41 may also be contractors for the alternatives to abortion public
42 awareness program established in section 188.335.

43 4. The agency or agencies administering the program shall to the
44 greatest extent possible supplement and match moneys appropriated
45 for the alternatives to abortion services program with federal and other
46 public moneys and with private moneys. The agency or agencies
47 administering the program shall prioritize such additional federal,
48 other public, and private moneys so that they are used preferentially
49 for the alternatives to abortion services program and the alternatives
50 to abortion public awareness program.

51 5. The alternatives to abortion services program and the moneys
52 expended under this section shall not be used to perform or induce,
53 assist in the performing or inducing of or refer for abortions. Moneys
54 expended under this section shall not be granted to organizations or
55 affiliates of organizations that perform or induce, assist in the
56 performing or inducing of or refer for abortions.

 188.335. 1. There is hereby established the "Missouri Alternatives
2 to Abortion Public Awareness Program" which shall be administered by

3 a state agency or agencies, as designated by appropriations to such or
4 each agency.

5 2. The agency or agencies by which the alternatives to abortion
6 public awareness program is administered shall establish and
7 implement an ongoing advertising campaign publicizing alternatives to
8 abortion services within the state, including alternatives to abortion
9 agencies within the state and the alternatives to abortion services
10 program established in section 188.325. Such advertising campaign
11 may utilize, but shall not be limited to, the following media: television,
12 radio, outdoor advertising, newspapers, magazines, and other print
13 media, web sites, and the Internet. The agency or agencies
14 administering the program may contract with other public or private
15 agencies or entities to conduct such advertising campaign on behalf of
16 the agency or agencies administering the program. Contractors for the
17 alternatives to abortion public awareness program may also be
18 contractors for the alternatives to abortion services program
19 established in section 188.325.

20 3. The agency or agencies administering the program shall to the
21 greatest extent possible supplement and match moneys appropriated
22 for the alternatives to abortion public awareness program with federal
23 and other public moneys and with private moneys. The agency or
24 agencies administering the program shall prioritize such additional
25 federal, other public, and private moneys so that they are used
26 preferentially for the alternatives to abortion public awareness
27 program and the alternatives to abortion services program.

28 4. The alternatives to abortion public awareness program and
29 the moneys expended under this section shall not be used to perform
30 or induce, assist in the performing or inducing of or refer for
31 abortions. Moneys expended under this section shall not be granted to
32 organizations or affiliates of organizations that perform or induce,
33 assist in the performing or inducing of or refer for abortions.

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